

**Knights of Columbus  
Terence Cardinal Cooke Council #8495  
Business Meeting Minutes  
February 9, 2009**

**Call to Order**

The Grand Knight brought the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers. Thirty five (33) members were present. The roll call of officers was conducted and it is attached.

**Corrections to Previous Meeting Minutes**

The Grand Knight indicated that the minutes of January 12, 2009 had been posted to the website in advance of this meeting and asked if there were any corrections to the Minutes as posted. No change was offered. A motion from the floor was made to accept the Minutes. The motion was seconded and the vote was unanimous.

**Report of Admissions Committee**

Two applications were presented for admission: James Rush and Brice Dreiling. Separate motions were made from the floor to accept the applicants pending review and recommendation by the Admissions Committee. Motions received a second, were discussed, and motions carried. The Admissions Committee will interview candidates on Thursday, February 19, 2009.

**Grand Knight's Report**

1. The GK stated that the Round Table in Waynesboro meets once per month; usually on the second Wednesday of the month. The GK indicated that he would like to have one or two Council members travel to Waynesboro and attend the monthly meeting. He will be going this month and invited those present to attend as well.
2. The next officers' meeting will be on Sunday, March 1, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. at Bob Hoepfel's residence. Directions will be provided later.
3. The next business meeting will be on Monday, March 9, 2009. Social starts at 7:00 p.m.; meeting at 7:30 p.m., at Council 8495 (Annex Building).
4. The GK introduced Edward Brawn who will be transferring to our Council from West Palm Beach. He has been active with the KofC for 54 years and has served in almost every officer position in other Councils. In addition, Ed will be bringing with him a son and two grandsons. Bob Hoepfel made a motion to accept the transferees – Ed Brawn, Kenneth Brawn, Alan Holub and Joseph Holub – into our Council. Motion received second and was approved unanimously.
5. Certificates were presented by the GK to Nick Rhea for 1<sup>st</sup> Degree.
6. Bobby Christine was given a certificate for recruiting two new members.

7. The GK urged members to stick to the meeting's agenda items so as to be able to conduct the meeting with the utmost expediency.

### **Chaplain's Report**

Fr. Michael stated that we should continue to pray for our parishioners who are sick. In particular, he mentioned Gabbie Conner who had knee surgery recently.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Beginning balance	\$ 3,455.59
Deposits	6,481.00
Expenditures	3,422.60
Ending balance	6,513.99

### **Reading of Bills and Communications**

1. We are in good standing with Supreme.

### **Financial Secretary's Report**

1. We have one bill in the amount of \$45.76 from Supreme for supplies.

2. All required forms by Supreme have been completed and turned in. Fraternal Survey and Special Olympics form were submitted. Free throw contest forms will be submitted this week.

3. Sixty-three members have not paid the annual dues. Contacts will be made again. If unsuccessful, the Retention Committee will issue letters of intent to suspend membership.

### **Report of Auditors/Trustees**

The scheduled audit was conducted with the Financial Secretary. A copy was sent to the District Deputy.

### **Chancellor's Report on Vocations**

1. Chris Algeo reminded the members that contributions over and above the annual dues are placed in the seminarian fund. He urged everyone to be generous.

2. The payment for this quarter was sent to each seminarian. The balance in the fund account is \$ \$2,246.51.

### **Membership Director's Report**

As of February 1, 2009 we have 249 members. Of those, 71 are insurance and 178 associates, the rest included in other categories.

### **Program Director's Report**

1. Bill Kulovitz asked everyone to respond to the emails that are sent out requesting for volunteers. That is, if a member knows that he will participate at a particular event, he should let Bill or the event lead know in advance so that they are aware of who is available. In particular, this is helpful for events that have different time slots to be filled. Once the time slots become filled, then Bill or the event lead can inform the next volunteer that his services are not required.
2. The website contains a lot of information and it is very easy to access. Go to [KofC8495.org](http://KofC8495.org) and check out the events that are coming up.

### **Church Director's Report**

No report.

### **Community Director's Report**

1. Bill Priddy requested members to sign up for the Tootsie Roll Drive coming up the first week of April. A sign-up roster was circulated. Approximately 90 time slots are required for the three day event. Bill urged members to sign up for two slots if possible. Bill received OK from Wal-Mart to solicit at their store in Evans. Kroger has yet to respond.
2. Roadside clean up is coming up on Saturday, March 14, 2009. Need volunteers for this activity.
3. Bill received the check from our Financial Secretary and will be sending it to the recipient - \$50.00 for Media project.

### **Council Director's Report**

1. Fish Fries will commence on February 27. Lots of volunteers (set up, cook, serve, cashier, clean up, etc.) are needed for various shifts from set up around 3:00 p.m. to closing around 9:00 p.m. Dinners are served between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.
2. We will have about 6 Fish Fries during lent. A "lead" person is needed for each.

### **Family Director's Report**

No report.

### **Youth Director's Report**

1. The Council Free Throw competition was held on Saturday, February 7, 2009. Bob Ollerich thanked all the Knights that came out to assist with the event. There were 22 participants in various age groups. Seven First Place certificates were awarded. There were 10 classes but only 7 had participants. The winners were given \$10.00 certificates from Sports Academy. Next year Bob hopes to have more participants.

2. Cooking for TeenLife will be on Sunday, February 15, 2009 after the 5:30 p.m. mass. Need volunteers to assist with the set up, cooking, and cleanup. Please come and support the youth. Show up by 5:00 p.m.
3. The Annual Pancake Supper will be held on Tuesday, February 24, 2009. Volunteers are needed. In addition, volunteers are needed to sell tickets after every mass. An email has been sent requesting volunteers.
4. First fish fry is coming up on February 27. The youth will be asked to assist as well.
5. A motion was made from the floor to reimburse Bob Ollerich for the expense incurred to award certificates for the Free Throw competition; 7 each at \$10.00 for a total of \$70.00. Motion received a second, was opened for discussion, and the vote taken. Motion carried.

### **Communications Director's Report**

No report.

### **Home Company Report**

1. Tim Bair made a motion to suspend Council Meeting rules for the purpose of conducting Home Company business. Motion received a second. Discussions were held. The vote was taken and the motion passed. Rules were suspended and Tim Bair was allowed to discuss HC matters.
2. HC business meeting was adjourned and Council Meeting rules were reinstated.

### **Roundtable Report**

1. The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Sacred Heart is coming up in two years. The Round Table plans to conduct various activities to commemorate the event.
2. The RT is planning to build a rosary garden in the church grounds.
3. RT is contemplating various raffles as a mean to raise funds.
4. RT is interested in the bird house sales that our Council conducts. They would like to do the same in Waynesboro.

### **Degree Team**

1. The next First Degree Exemplification will be held on Thursday, February 19, 2009 at Council 8495, St. Teresa Parish Annex.
2. There is also a 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree on February 28, 2009 in Kathleen, Georgia. Anyone interested in going should see Tim Bair after the meeting. Don DeClue will attend as an observer. The dress for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree ceremonies is coat and tie.

### **Golf Tournament Committee**

1. The tournament will be held on April 25, 2009 at Gordon Lakes Golf Course.

2. John Vigna stated that he needs assistance in obtaining sponsors for each hole. That is, contacting businesses and/or individuals. Cost of a sponsorship is \$100.00.
3. Flyers will be printed and distributed to announce the Tournament.

### **Unfinished Business**

1. The priests received lots of items for the new rectory that were donated by parishioners using the registry at Bed, Bath and Beyond. The priests are still sorting through the donations. The Council will continue to wait and then obtain an item (or items) at a later date.
2. The Financial Secretary stated that he had received enough award points to purchase an American flag (including the pole, base and eagle) for St. Teresa Church. The order has been placed.
3. The Council ad for the State Convention program will be purchased. Members that own small businesses were encouraged to also purchase ads to assist in defraying the cost of the Convention programs.
4. The annual State raffle tickets were received. As in the past the cost is \$5.00 per ticket or 5 for \$20.00. The FS will be mailing them out to each member who will have the option of selling the tickets or purchasing them themselves. Half of the proceeds are returned to the Council to be donated to charity of choice. Each year our Council donates the proceeds to Birth Rights of Augusta.
5. The FS will put together a newsletter by March 31, 2009. Anyone having items of interest, please submit them to the FS as soon as possible.
6. A Priests Appreciation Night is being planned. It will take place on Saturday, September 12, 2009. Carlo Bracci is the lead person. He indicated that, in the past, the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly had donated \$100.00 towards the activity. Proceeds from this event are donated to the Retirement Fund for Religious in the Diocese of Savannah. In addition, gifts will be collected (from multiple Councils) for the religious. No motion was made to donate funds from Council 8495.

### **New Business**

1. The Roe v. Wade mass and rosary was well attended – approximately 150 people.
2. On March 25, 2009, Day of the Unborn Child, similar activities as planned. There will be a mass. Announcement will be issued later.
3. Icon of Mary Our Lady of Charity is making its rounds to various locations. It will be here, at St. Teresa, on March 24 through 27.
4. A motion was made to reimburse Joe Kise \$106.00 for expenses related to the Roe v. Wade activities. Motion received a second, was discussed, and the vote taken. Motion passed.

5. A sign up table will be set up to collect signatures to send to Congress relating to the proposed Freedom of Choice Act that will make abortion a “fundamental right” in the USA.
6. The Convention delegates were selected. The Grand Knight (Aaron Wahus) is automatically a delegate. From the floor nominations were made and votes taken for the remaining delegates. Joe Kise will be the second delegate; Bob Hoepfel and John Vigna will be the two alternates.
7. A motion was made to pay for Fr. Michael’s expenses for room and registration, if he decides to attend the Convention. Motion was second, discussed, and vote taken. Motion passed.
8. A motion was made to reimburse the delegates for the difference of what the State does not reimburse the Council. The motion was tabled until the March meeting because the amount is more than \$500.00 and the by-laws require that the motion must be voted on at a subsequent meeting.

### **Report of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree**

1. Dick Mann stated that the State has asked that the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree membership be involved in the activity that the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree carries out in support of veterans hospitalized at the VA Hospital. This consists of making visits and providing refreshments and some food each month. Dick man will be visiting all of the Councils in the area to solicit support in the form of labor and dollars.
2. On March 14, 2009, in a ceremony at 9:30 a.m., the State will be donating a total of 130 wheelchairs to the Charlie Norwood VA Hospital (20 at the ceremony and the remaining 110 at scheduled intervals). The Color Corps has been requested to participate.
3. The George Washington’s Birthday celebration will take place on February 22, 2009 at Villa Europa restaurant. Dress will be tuxedo with social baldric, ladies proper attire. Flyer has been sent out to all 4<sup>th</sup> Degree members.
4. Fourth Degree certificates were awarded to David Titus, McKinley Curtis and Bill Priddy.

### **Field Agent’s Report**

Bryan Tuschen reiterated the strength of the Knights insurance products that have very high ratings from major rating organizations. There are also low-cost annuities that can be purchased for the short- and long-terms.

### **District Deputy Report**

No report.

### **The Good of the Order**

Due to time constraints, the lecturer’s portion was dispensed.

### **Prayers for Sick and Distressed**

A list was circulated for review and to add/delete names. Several names were added to the list and were read by the FS. Prayers were recited.

### **Chaplain's Summation**

Continue to pray for the sick and the needy and continue to do God's work through charity.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carlos Collazo, Recorder  
February 16, 2009

**Roll of Officers  
Terence Cardinal Cooke Council 8495  
February 9, 2009**

Grand Knight	Aaron Wahus	Present
Deputy Grand Knight	Bill Kulovitz	Present
Chancellor	Chris Algeo	Present
Recorder	Carlos Collazo	Present
Treasurer	John Vigna	Present
Advocate	Tom Howe	Present
Warden	McKinley Curtis	Excused
Inside Guard	Pietro de Guerrero	Present
Outside Guard	Ramón Adriano	Excused
Trustee, 3 year	Joe Kise	Present
Trustee, 2 Year	Mark Chapin	Excused
Trustee, 1 Year	Tim Bair	Present
Financial Secretary	Bob Hoeppel	Present
Chaplain	Fr. Michael Roverse	Present
Lecturer	Bob Prange	Present